

SUNNYNOOK PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

PRINCIPALS NEWS

Dear parents/caregivers

A wonderful performance was showcased last night by our Year 2 children, led by Mrs Kelsall (Team Leader) and her team of teachers, Miss Pethybridge, Miss Swinton, Ms Findlay-Clarke and Mrs Strydom.

An excerpt from Mrs Kelsall's speech last night;

"Children really appreciate your taking time to participate in their learning. We all want to have our efforts valued and it's especially important to have a supportive audience for an occasion such as this.

When we first begin practicing songs, poems dances and plays, it's very unlike any other school activity. It isn't always apparent to the children just what the point of moving positions, learning routines and listening to what seems like mind numbing instructions is. That is ... until the costumes are adorned and there is applause under the bright lights. Then ... for many children everything makes sense at last.

During the school day children face many challenges. As teachers we do our best to make connections between these small learning steps and the bigger pictures of both academia and the so-called real world (although if a classroom with 20 -30 busy children isn't real I don't know what is). However I often wonder how children perceive these challenges and if they appreciate the relevance of each step on their learning journey. This is where parents are irreplaceable. There is no fan club like a parent. Your encouragement and example is invaluable to making learning both enjoyable and relevant".

I am looking forward to the Year 1 Showcase next Wednesday the 16th of September.

Matinee Shows

Rooms 10, 12, 14	1.45 pm
Rooms 8, 9, 11	2.20 pm

Evening Shows

Rooms 10, 12, 14	5.30pm
Rooms 8, 9, 11	6.30 p.m.

Virginia Montague

SCHOOL NEWS



New Zealand
Chinese
Language Week
新西兰中文周

For more information about Chinese Language Week visit
<http://nzclw.com/>

Nei hao (nay how) = hello
Zhao shang hao (jow shung how) = good morning
(translated by Franck Chen, Room 2)

IMPORTANT DATES

11 Sep	Jump Rope for Heart - Skip-a-thon
16 Sep	Y1 Junior Showcase
17 Sep	Rippa Rugby Finals
18 Sep	PTA Quiz Night
22 Sep	Rippa Rugby Final (save day)
22 Sep	PTA Meeting 7.00pm
23 Sep	BOT Meeting 6.15pm
24 Sep	New Entrant Parent Meeting 9.15am
25 Sep	Last day of Term 3

**Tomorrow
11 September**

Children are to wear school uniform as usual and remember to bring their house colours and a pair of sensible shoes to skip in. Good Luck everyone.



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Dominoe Swap - School Library at 1.00pm on Monday the 14th of September with Mrs Montague.

New Entrant Parent Meeting: On Thursday the 24th of September we will be holding a meeting in the Technology Room at 9.15am, for parents of children who have turned, or will turn 5 years old in the next 5 months. We will discuss how best you can help your child with the transition to school life. This is an opportunity for you to hear how our school day operates. There will also be time for questions. This is very informal and gives you the opportunity to meet the other parents in the class. This meeting is designed for new entrant parents new to the school community and living in the Sunnynook Primary School Zone.

Inter-School Cross Country: After weeks of training in wet, muddy conditions our team of Year 5/6 students participated in the Inter-School event at Sunnynook Park on Tuesday. They arrived keen but very nervous upon seeing their competition gathering. Finally the races began. The Year 5 boys started followed by the Year 5 girls, the Year 6 girls and finally the Year 6 boys. There were 30 runners in each event and a fast pace was set. Well done to Pita Petelo 4th, Andrew Lambert 7th, Sam Young 9th, Milla Hoogeveen 6th, Kia Sampson 7th, Nikos Matiatos 5th. Congratulations to the team, you all ran brilliantly, a great team effort. A big thank you to the supporters. Sunnynook Primary School placed 3rd overall.



SPORTS NEWS

Miniball Y3: The Sharks had a tough game against a Year 4 team this week going down 22-2. They put in a great effort though from start to finish and Jackson Henare, our player of the day, had an outstanding game.

Basketball Y5: The Flames played a fast, close game against Oteha Valley Primary this week unfortunately going down 23-9. Player of the day was Conrad Croft for his consistent game.

FLIPPABALL (modified version of Water Polo) - Term 4 registration in conjunction with Kristin School. Would you like your son/daughter to learn water confidence? Do they enjoy playing in a team environment? Are they in Year 3 - 6? If you answered yes then Flippaball could be the sport for you. Sunnynook are joining Kristin school to field teams. Free "give it a go" sessions are being held on Saturday 18 and 25 September 1.50 - 3.00pm at The Millennium. Bring togs, goggles, caps (for girls), towel & drink bottle. For further information please contact Simone Small on ssmall@kristin.school.nz, or phone 415 9566 ext 2819.

East Coast Bays Rugby

These three rugby team mates took out 3 of the 4 medals at the end of season prize giving awards last week. Congratulations!

- Isaac Hughes - best in back line
- Connor Findlay - MVP
- Pita Petelo - Player of the year



PTA NEWS

Quiz Night Silent Auction Items

The list of items donated for Auction is growing by the day. Visit the Sunnynook School PTA Facebook Page to view and check on the PTA noticeboard in the school foyer on Monday for the full list.

Bidding opens on Monday 14 September and will be via a specific email address advertised with the items.

Next PTA Meeting is on Tuesday the 22nd of September at 7.00pm in the staffroom.

All welcome and we would love to see some new faces.

Contact us at: sunnynookpta@gmail.com or Facebook: Sunnynook School PTA

